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Dear Friend,

One of the most exciting new technologies connecting constituents to their Members of Congress is the Tele-Town Hall.



Tele-Town Halls: How it Works

It's like a conference call: I call constituents of the 3rd District in their homes, and they can choose to listen into a conversation between myself and others who are likewise listening in. You can choose to ask a question yourself, and I will occasionally ask a poll question which you can answer using your telephone touchpad.

Pioneer

This is one of the most promising avenues for Members of Congress to connect with hardworking citizens, and I'm happy to say that I was the first Member of Congress to host a Tele-Town Hall. Since then, over 100 other Members of Congress have started using Tele-Town Halls, many at my urging, to answer unscripted questions on all sorts of topics. Recently I brought a dozen of my colleagues into the cloakroom—a room right off the House floor—so they could watch a Tele-Town Hall in action and see how it works.

Empowered

Many people have felt left out of the dialogue—that people in Washington aren't listening to them. Tele-Town Halls are an important means of letting those people reconnect to the political process. Done at least once a month, Tele-Town Halls allow a continuing dialogue on both issues in the 3rd District and issues at the national level like healthcare, immigration, and homeland security.

Impact

Recently, on a Tele-Town Hall, there were a surprising number of callers asking about healthcare. The questions were on all sorts of healthcare issues, and from all different ideological perspectives—but the sheer number of questions on the topic showed that healthcare has a real resonance with constituents. Pollsters have consistently said the War in Iraq, immigration, and irresponsible government spending are the top three issues. So in this way, Tele-Town Halls can serve as a sort of "early warning system" which shows which issues are percolating beneath the surface.

Of course, Tele-Town Halls are only one of the ways constituents of the 3rd District can convey their views. My website

Upcoming Town Halls!

March 25, 2008

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Elk Grove City Hall
City Council Chambers
8401 Laguna Palms Way
Elk Grove, CA 95758
Click [here](#) for a map of this location.

March 27, 2008

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Rancho Cordova City Hall
American River Room
2729 Prospect Park Drive
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
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(<http://lungren.house.gov>) offers an easy to use "Email the Congressman" form, DC and Gold River offices can be reached by telephone (916-859-9906), and on Nov. 28 I will be holding a "traditional" town hall in Folsom. Details are as follows:

Wednesday, November 28, 2007

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Folsom City Hall

City Council Chambers

50 Natoma Street

Folsom, CA 95630

Click [here](#) for a map of this location.

Sincerely,



Daniel E. Lungren
Member of Congress

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